GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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REQUIREMENT OF LNG
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have assessed the total annual requirement of Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) in the country;

(b) if so, anticipated requirement of LNG for next five years, year-wise;

(c) the total availability of LNG in the country and anticipated yearly shortfall during the above period;

(d) whether Government are considering to float International Tender bid for LNG supply; and

(e) if so, the countries likely to be included for this Tender bid?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (e): As per the Hydrocarbon Vision 2025 demand of Natural Gas has been assessed to be 151 MMSCMD which will go upto 231 MMSCMD in the year 2006-07.The present domestic availability of Natural Gas is about 65 MMSCMD.The gap between demand and supply of Natural Gas will be met by import of (a) natural gas through pipeline and (b) as LNG.LNG is under Open General Licence (OGL) list with permission for 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI).LNG import initiatives will be propelled by commercial viability of the respective project.